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Whose Invisible Editor is the Conqueror on the white horse—the new Initiate in his solar body.

The Conqueror—to him I shall award to eat (the fruit) of the tree of life which is in the middle of the Garden of the God.

The award to the Conqueror, is the Eternal Memory: he shall eat the fruit of the tree of life (the fruitage of the life cycle) in the God's own abiding place, the mystical paradise or state of ineffable bliss.

The award to the Conqueror is conscious Immortality; he is to wear the crown of life, and nothing that originates in the soul-consciousness shall pass into the oblivion of the second death.

The Conqueror—to him I shall award to eat a share of the hidden manna; and I shall award to him a white voting-pebble, and on the voting pebble (will be) a new name engraved, which no one knows but he who receives it.

The Conqueror—he shall be clothed in white garments, and I shall not at all erase his name from the book of life, but I shall acknowledge his name before my Father and before his Divinities.

The Conqueror shall not at all be punished by the second death. He who has an ear to hear, let him hear.

"Son of Man"

OR, THE SEQUEL TO EVOLUTION

-By CELESTIA ROOT LANG-

tion. And the relation of the vital union existing between God and nature is expressed in the successive planes of incarnation of the Christ-principle or divine energy. This brings the question of 'First Cause,' within the domain of science. The Christ-principle theory or psychic evolution shows that all these beautiful laws (of evolution) are the necessary results of the incarnation of divine energy; that these laws are explained by the doctrine of the divine mode of incarnation or planes of divine energy, and thus a new science comes into being and Christology becomes a physical science.

As to the scientific method of investigating the laws of evolution on the higher psychological planes, the author commends the comparative one so successfully adopted in anatomy, physiology, and embryology—the soul of man must be studied in relation to what corresponds to it in

the lower animals—and asks:

"Will not Christology become truly scientific only through comparative Christology, i. e., by the study of the spirit of God in relation to what corresponds to it in man?"

O N the subject of individual immortality the author's views are clear and pronounced—

"Narrow is the way," she tells us.

"Spirit individuality explains, as nothing else can, all that is characteristic of a Christ-man, one in whom the Christ or divine principle has come to birth. This also means separate life, spirit viability, immortality. Spirit consciousness espe-

cially seems to me the simplest sign of separate entity or spirit individuality, and its appearance among psychical phenomena the very act of spirit-birth. The change from the one to the other is like to a birth into a higher plane, the beginning of another cycle of evolution. In the beginning of psychical life, the Christ-principle is but an appendage of the body, in the end the body is but the vehicle of the immortal spirit.

"The fatal mistake in theology is in supposing that the human soul is immortal; i. e., capable of individual spirit existence. It is analogous to the theory that every monkey is on the highway to become a man. Many monkeys came into being, but few attained to humanity; many human souls, too, have come into being, but few will attain immortality. The animam, or soul of man, on the rational plane, is not immortal; the Christ-man only has a distinct personality or spirit individuality. Material evolution finds its goal in man, psychic evolution in a Christ-man.

"The first cause, the direct will of the Deity, is expressed by divine incarnation,—divine energy

passing into matter and form."

For this remarkable work the author claims, and we think justly, that it is thoroughly consistent with the spirit of the teachings of Jesus and the evolution theory. Her citations from Scripture are wonderfully apt. Indeed, she presents many of Christ's sayings in an entirely new light, apparently justifying her claim to an interpretation of Christianity from a higher plane of spiritual insight.

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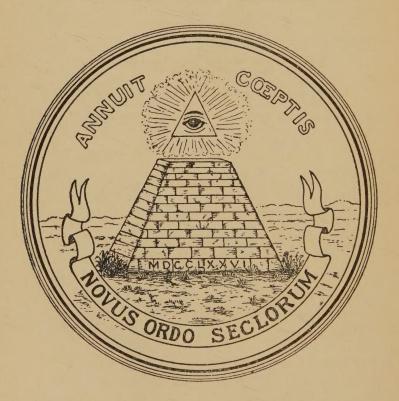
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CATHOLIC AMERICA!

THE POPE is not a bishop, but an alien toy King seeking temporal power. This alien sovereign already controls 62% of all elective and appointive offices in America. He is seeking to make one of his subjects President. He has an army of 400,000 oath bound, treasonable Knights of Columbus, all drilled and armed, ready to cut a path to the White House."

Think of it, 62% of all the elective and appointive offices in America. Does not the Pope already rule America? And still there are weak-kneed Protestants who try to hide their shame behind the smoke-screen of "Intolerance." They are Protestant American cowards and 'ere long Pope Pius will proclaim another Encyclical which reads like this: "To all God-fearing men throughout the broad expanse of God's domain I now bid you to join hands and with one acclaim pronounce the World Christian. Therefore, it devolves upon God's children to use the sword, the leaden bullet,

and the steel poinard to force all far straying-hypocrites and heretics back into the columns of God's Kingdom. We must not let the fear of personal injury override this great task that God has given us to do, to bring those all back into the fold, even if the Whole Planet is turned into a vast Slaughter House. For the Pope must be King of this World, even if it leads to blood-shed and extermination; for God knows no other than his intimate Vicar of Christ, upon whose footstool rests the destiny of the Whole World and the immediate welfare of all Mankind."

And who will be given to perform this mighty task of Making the Whole World Catholic and Christian? No other than the militant arm of the Catholic Church, The Knights of Columbus. These infamous pagan disciples of the Pope who filched the American Public out of untold millions during the World War, and with this very money stolen in the name of God and of his Christ, they propose to launch a bloody campaign, to put America unto the Pope's Column and proclaim him Spiritual and Temporal Ruler of all the Earth. For America must be made Catholic first, then it is only a matter of subduing all other Nations with the aid of the American army and navy.

Do you know that Al Smith has already selected his Cabinet and that if elected the Secretary of War and the Secretary of State will be two prominent Jesuits. And what chance would any non-Catholic Nation stand were Al elected and the Pope brought to America to establish his Vatican on the White House grounds? For remember this scheme is to place the Pope alongside the President to complete this political-ecclesiastical rule.

Now don't think that Herbert Hoover or any other

opponent of Al Smith's will get a square deal at election time. If it occurs to Pope Pius along about October next that he decides to cut the wide swath to the White House by his militant arm the Knights of Columbus, you may expect ballot-box stealing, shuffling the votes, voting dead men, insane and absentees, along with the legitimate voters, and a host of contested votes at the last minute. Then with a slight chance of Al coming within firing distance of defeating his opponent the word would be flashed across the country by the Pope and his Princes of the Blood, that the Protestants are trying to steal the election and that our only chance of fair-play will be to proclaim Al Smith, PRESIDENT, and with the Catholic army well-drilled and all ready to capture America, by seating Al Smith at Washington, D. C.

Don't think, dear reader, that the coming election will be fair and square. They don't propose to win in that manner. They can't win fair and it is to the unfair methods of Al's Catholic constituents that he hopes to be seated in the White House.

And now with this immense power in their hands, they propose to subdue all dissenters throughout the World. They must strike quick, for with Catholic sympathizers in every Country of the World, with a brain-cracked Mussolini awaiting the chance to come to America when the yellow flag floats above the Stars and Stripes, with a billion haters of America and its Democratic Principles, America could be turned Catholic over-night; and with another mighty-swath, with Al and the Pope sitting side by side, England, Germany, France, Russia and the Whole Far East would be compelled to pay due homage to the Pope and his American Pawn—The President—who now controls

not only the Gold of the Universe but the very Souls as well.

WATCH FOR THE CATHOLIC WAR TO BEGIN IN OCTOBER.

THE POSSIBILITIES OF A REACTION

YOU will see the possibilities of a reaction in the American People before Election day. And what do I mean? Both old line political parties have so sown up the party conventions and named their respective candidates regardless of the will and choice of the People that an inevitable reaction will set in and both candidates defeated by an eleventh hour independent ticket.

Who wants to vote for Herbert Hoover, Republican or Democratic? British, a League of Nations man, and a close friend of the Roman Catholic Church. Who wants to vote for Al Smith, an avowed Roman Catholic and a tool and pet of Pope Pius? I aver that President Coolidge already sees his grand mistake when he permitted Herbert Hoover to run his administration, for President Coolidge has the reputation of saying nothing, doing nothing and allowing the International regime, which today rules America, put its policies across with the aid and advice of the greatest Bourbon that ever deceived America—Herbert Hoover.

I will predict that the Country will go Socialistic and Bolshevist before it will stand for the thieving, un-American policies of the Republican Party, or the un-Democratic Principles of Al Smith and his Tammany gang.

I have nothing but contempt for Calvin Coolidge for the manner in which he played with and fooled the American public up to the last minute and with the aid of the International gang kept the name of Herbert Hoover in the background until the last minute, knowing well that the reaction would set in among the good American people who have not quite forfotten his World War record when we Americans were being fed on mouldy barley flour and substitutes while his English friends across the pond were not denying themselves of any of the real luxuries of life.

Do we want another World War at our doors with Herbert Hoover Hooverizing us until the Eagle gives up the Spirit. I guess not.

They think they have fooled us by giving us the distasteful Hoover, with a bitter wash in the background in the emissary of Pope Pius, and tell us to drink, damn you, for either we shall Anglosize you or Romanize you, and it doesn't matter a particle with us multi-millionaires which, so long as we can break your independent American Spirit.

I see a fluke play behind the whole scene which they have set for the American People. It is this. Once they decide that no other candidate can come forward and win against their two favorites, they will immediately formulate a plan to give to the distressed Catholic voters, who are seemingly chagrined at the attitude of Americans voting against their man on account of his religion, a part of the spoils if Hoover is elected. The Republicans have learned the lesson that it doesn't pay to antagonize the Catholic Church in public, else the Party would be disrupted from within and an assassination might follow. So they propose to fool the People.

Make it appear that Herbert Hoover and Al Smith are at the opposite end of the poles and after Hoover gets in he will apoint so many Roman Catholics in his Cabinet and in prominent Federal positions, including the possible Supreme Court vacancies, that people will rub their eyes and wonder if in voting for Hoover they didn't vote for Al Smith, too.

Thus an inevitable reaction will set in before Election Day. The Truth will be brought to light, and save the day for America and Americans. For the Spirit of the Forefathers have ordained that no combination of eminent foreigners shall have the battle alone between them, but that a New Party (neither Democratic nor Republican) but Anti-Catholic and Anti-British has sprung into being over night, which shall sweep the country from coast to coast, to save America from the Perils of Hell which awaits them should they be caught between the Wheels of London and Rome.

—Harry E. Richeimer.

THE DECAY OF A NATION

The Roman Church a Danger and a Menace in America.

By Wm. Lloyd Clark

M R. WILLIAM LLOYD CLARK, the editor of "The Rail Splitter," of Milan, Illinois, has issued a pamphlet entitled "The Decay of a Nation," which ought to be sold and scattered broadcast throughout the broad expanse of this American Republic at a time when the Roman Church, a Danger and a Menace to America, threatens our liberties and our common heritage of freedom, for Mr. William Lloyd Clark deserves more credit than any living American today for his courageous attitude in attacking and exposing the nefarious game of the Roman Catholic Political Machine and has suffered

as much as any martyr in poverty and abuse at the hands of the gang that today proposes to "Make America Catholic."

We take the liberty of publishing a few pages of Mr. Lloyd's pamphlet for the benefit of the readers of the Divine Life, and should you like it you may send to The Rail Splitter, Milan, Illinois, for a full set of these pamphlets which Mr. Lloyd is now offering to the public at the very low price of \$5.00 under a score of different subjects and headings.

"NOTICE—The contents of this pamphlet was first printed in The Rail Splitter, December, 1925. As there is an eternal struggle for sufficient support to continue the fight against the Roman Hierarchy we are publishing the article in pamphlet form that its appeal may continue to reach the indifferent masses. There is pending in this country a fearful conflict between the powers of truth and error and the Protestant publishers can serve the cause of civil and religious liberty only as they are supported by the masses. Patriots should keep themselves supplied at all times with the latest book catalogues issued from The Rail Splitter Press, Milan, Ill., and order liberally as the new editions and titles are announced.

Three years ago there were over fifty papers in the country that were avowedly anti-Catholic in their policty. Most of them, like The Rail Splitter, were devoted to a definite, radical fight against the political activities of the Roman hierarchy. Today, thanks to the stupidity and indifference of the Protestant masses we have only five or six papers of this kind left. There are two or three others devoted to a bastard Protestantism completely in-

volved in graft and corruption which we do not recognize. That problem will be thoroughly dealt with in the future by this and other loyal papers. These papers have been brutally and cruelly assassinated by the stinginess, indifference and ignorance of the Protestant masses. Just a little support from the rank and file would have saved them and made them a power in the fight for the salvation and preservation of our free institutions. But that support was not given. You wanted your money for gas and movies and cigars and the cheap things of life. You would rather gratify your sensual desires than to save America, and as a result this nation is going to hell faster than any nation in the history of all time. I know it and if you have enough sense to hunt the cellar when a cyclone comes or seek shelter from a hail storm you know it. I do not have the space here to give you the history of these slaughtered papers. That is a story that will be told in a future article and with the help of God I will do that subject justice. Most of these publishers who were loyal and consecrated men lost every dollar they had, when a trifle from each reader would have saved them and their papers. Meantime the heart of Rome is cheered. The lazy, bloated, drunken papal priesthood sits back and laughs at the few faithful workers, we men who coin our lives into dollars to pay bills to keep our fight going while men with fraternal badges on their coats refuse to take our papers on the ground that they cannot afford it while they smoke expensive cigars and crowd the movies and support the Jew-Jesuit conspiracy to wreck and prostitute America. Rome is in the saddle in America—Protestant patriotism is walking.

Under this indifference we are facing the decay of a Nation, the American Nation that we should love and honor. The future home of our children. and the future hope of humanity not only for our own people, but for the world. If you doubt these statements then read this record, the record of the ignorance, the extravagance and the mental and social debauchery of a people that has forgotten God, lost interest in humanity, and deserted the sacred traditions of their fathers. In the United States today there are 5.000,000 people who have no church affiliation and who are totally indifferent to their spiritual welfare. With all this we have 27.000.000 children growing toward manhood and womanhood without any religious training whatever: 12.000,000 children not in reach of a Sunday school, and 8,000,000 homes without a Bible. Our cities are under the control of veggmen, hi-jackers and political panhandlers with municipal government a mixture of anarchy and grand larceny. And here are some more figures for you people who cannot afford to support patriotic and reform papers to think about. During the year 1924 the American people spent for face powder, cosmetics and perfumes \$750,000,000. For furs \$300,000,000. This entails the slaughter of millions of animals each year and is rapidly exterminating some of the choicest species of our fur bearers. For soft drinks the American people poured \$350,000,000 down their thirsty throats. (Ninety percent of this sum went into the pockets of a gang of un-American Greeks and was sent to the old country.) For toilet soaps, \$400,000,-000. For cigarettes \$800,000,000. For cigars \$510,-000.000. For tobacco and snuff \$800,000,000. Jew-

elry, \$500,000,000. For joy rides and watering places, \$3,000,000,000. For chewing gum \$50,000,-000. For ice cream \$250,000,000. For upkeep on automobiles alone, \$5,000,000,000. For candies \$1,000,-000.000. Every seventh marriage in the United States ends in the divorce court. Petty pilfering has increased five times over since 1910. Crime has increased over 400 per cent during the same time. Every fourth person, according to the latest report of the Chicago Health Institute has a social disease and these loathesome diseases are killing over 300,-000 Americans annually. Neither life nor property is safe and as the conditions grow more serious the people become more indifferent and more completely absorbed in the mad rush for pleasure and the gratification of their sensual instincts.

America Is No Longer American

Can we redeem the situation and restore American ideals. That is what a few of us are trying to do. The only thing that defeats us is the people that should love and honor America and unite with us in the fight for the restoration and salvation of our American ideals. America is deserted by her friends. The public mind seems to be calloused. It fails to respond to any worthy appeal. We respond liberally to the community chest where seventy per cent of the money is consumed in overhead and goes into the pockets of the professional charity mongers and the rest is divided with the Roman Hierarchy—the richest commercial and political corporation in the world. But with all our fake charity there is not enough loose change in the pockets of our American tightwads to save a few papers that are fighting with all the resources at their command to save

America and make it a fit place for your children when you are dead and gone. The crowning shame of the American people is that they will fall for every mass movement led by charlatans, grafters and parasites and refuse to support the men who live clean and fight clean and advocate sane and safe reforms. We are no longer American. We have vielded to foreign principles and ideals. Bootleggers and gunmen, and vice promoters, chile parlor and soft drink emporiums, shoe shine shops, cigar stores, carnival aggregations, movie picture promoters, etc., are 75 to 80 per cent foreign. They are run by Jews, Italians and Greeks, A lousy, dirty Greek running a shoe shine shop in the mouth of an alley can earn \$120.00 per month shining shoes while a clean, cultured American girl can only earn on the average of \$40.00 per month teaching school. A foreigner can earn three times as much in this country shining shoes as an American girl can earn shining brains. At the same time every law intended to safeguard the home and the school and the church has been trampled under the feet of the alien mob. Sixty-five per cent of the population of New England is foreign born. New England is now New Ireland with the cross of Irish Catholicism as the trade mark on Boston politics. In Chicago 60 per cent of the population is either foreign born or the children of foreign born parents. In Chicago there is a Catholic mayor, and Catholic chief of police, a Catholic sheriff, and Catholic board of aldermen and the city at the mercy of Catholic gangsters. While the indifference of the Protestant masses is starving to death the few red-blooded American Protestant papers that would fight for America and save America, the horde of foreign seditionists are rapidly building a foreign press on American soil. A press that is out of harmony with every American principle and exists for the sole purpose of breaking down American institutions. In New York City, the city of Alcohol Smith, there are thirty-eight daily newspapers printed in foreign languages, and only sixteen in the English language. In Chicago, the city of booze and graft and loose morals, there are twenty-four foreign language newspapers and only six printed in the American language. Philadelphia has eight foreign language newspapers. San Francisco, 12; Cleveland, 10; Detroit and Pittsburgh, 4 each: Boston, 5; St. Louis, 2; Los Angeles, 2. In the United States there are 142 dailies and 1,200 weekly foreign language newspapers. Think of it. And you Protestants in your indifference and stupidity have during the past five years starved to death over 50 loyal Protestant papers, papers that were edited by loval, unselfish, hard-working patriots who were endeavoring to serve you and to save the country in which you have a common interest. You have not only starved these papers to death but you are right now failing or refusing to give the few that remain the support they must have to live and it seems that you are absolutely dead to every appeal that can be made and that you are absolutely determined to deliver your country into the hands of its enemies.

Is the case hopeless? Is there any appeal that can be made to arouse the people? Do our American masses prefer ignorance, corruption and slavery to education, enlightenment and liberty? There has been enough literature distributed to not only arouse America but to arouse the Protestantism of the nations of the world. This concern alone has mailed out as high as 800,000 books and pamphlets during a single year. The Menace reached a circulation of over a million and a half and held that circulation until this country was jingoed into a foreign war by Wall Street and the Catholic Church. Millions of printed documents have been distributed by other concerns. Has all this fallen on deaf ears? It seems so. The Catholic Church is stronger and Protestantism is weaker today than ever before.

"It is not only its spiritual and social corruption but its political power and activities that make the Roman church a danger and a menace in America. It is the prophecy of the word of God that the Beast shall again for a short time rule the world. Are we Americans going to allow the powers of darkness to wreck our civilization during the return of papal power? The political power of the Roman Church is closing in on us. Rome has selected her standard bearer. That standard bearer tied up the national convention of one of the great dominant political parties in this country for nearly two weeks during the last national campaign. Twenty-five years ago such a thing would have been impossible in this country. But Rome came within an ace of securing the nomination of her rowdy candidate at that time. This nearness to victory for the papal gang has been their great encouragement. They are now building their fences. Alcohol Smith, the papal standard bearer of the Tammany, whiskey, papal gang, is now in absolute control of the Democratic party in every northern state from the Mississippi river to the Atlantic Ocean. Through Boss Brennan he is in

control of Illinois. Through Boss Taggart he is in control of Indiana. Through the recent election in New York City he is now in absolute control of the State of New York. Smith clubs are being organized in Denver, San Francisco and in every other important town west of the Mississippi. Smith will secure the nomination in the Democratic convention in 1928 unless all signs fail. The recent election of the Smith candidate as the mayor of New York City not only greatly increases the Smith forces locally but adds to his national prestige. And who is this man Walker? He was spawned in the unspeakable filth and slime of Tammany Hall and next to Smith himself is the most prominent living incarnation of the venal corruption of the Catholic Church and the House of Morgan. He is as ignorant as an Eskimo, with the elegance and taste of a Fiji Islander, an apostle of the superstition of Ultramontanism. He has been proven to be a grafter. While on the pure food committee of the senate he, as a lawyer, defended the interests of the packing house trust in their efforts to sell rotten meat to the inhabitants of New York. An eastern writer sends me the following description of New York's new mayor:

"For 16 years Walker has been a Tammany member of the state legislature, during which time he shared in all the jackpots of political blackmail dispensed by that organization. He spends his time in New York among the bright lights of the roaring forties, wears a green striped suit, a purple waist-coat, and like Al Smith, a brown derby reminiscent of the stage costumes of Lew Dockstader, the last minstrel man. His raiment depicts his arrested mentality.

He is the author of an atrocious jumble of noise that passed for a popular song entitled "Will You Love Me in December As You Do in May," besides being a semi-professional baseball player. An intellectual blank he can be depended upon to unhesitatingly do the bidding of Tammany and the House of Morgan."

Morgan is the richest Catholic banker in the world. You can see the alliances that are being formed not only to rule America, but to rule the world. A Wall Street bank has recently loaned the pope \$1,500,000. The threads of papal diplomacy are being woven into every fabric of the social and political life of America.

But you stupid Protestant Henry Dubs who refuse to support Protestant papers say the election of a man like Smith is an impossibility. Not at all. Millions of Protestants in their ignorance and stupidity will walk right up to the ballot box and vote the party ticket straight. You will vote for Al Smith, the Pope or the Devil if your party gives him the nomination.

The votes that will be given him by stupid Protestants together with the united votes of all the forces of Romanism, graft, corruption, etc., will enable him to carry this country with a landslide. He will get the united Jew vote. The Jew-Jesuit gang is perfectly united for Smith. He will get the wet vote. He is himself as wet as the Atlantic Ocean and he is the ideal of the booze anarchist of this country. He will get the red light vote. The vice mongers of this country will rally to a man under the Smith banners. He will get the united support of the dope ring and they have millions at stake in their nefari-

ous business. He will get the support of every race track gambler and every other gambler in this country. The Christless element who want Sunday races and all forms of Sunday gambling will rally to his standard. He will get the vote of the movie gang who want open Sunday picture houses to be run in opposition to the Protestant churches of the nation. He will get in a large measure the negro vote for unfortunately the negro vote and the Jewish vote has been through the policies of the Ku Klux Klan driven into the Roman Church. Al Smith is right now the most powerful political factor in this nation and the only thing that will save America will be the launching of a tremendous campaign of publicity. Can we arouse you indifferent Protestants to action? Do you have enough patriotism, enough loyalty, enough interest in the welfare of America and humanity to meet the crisis? This is right now the crucial hour in American history and the salvation of this nation and the Protestant cause depends on your action. If you lay down like craven cowards the fight is lost. Rome wins and there will come the wreckage of American civilization.

"It seems that the American masses have no conception of the power of the Roman church in American politics and American government. Do you know that in the department of state 61 per cent of the employees are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the treasury department 70 per cent of the employees are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the war department 70 per cent of the employees are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the insular affairs 89 per cent are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the department of justice 73 per

cent of the employees are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the office of Indian affairs, under the department of the interior, 93 per cent of the employees are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the bureau of education 60 per cent are Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the patent office 54 per cent are Roman Catholic? Do you know that the Alaskan railroad is 100 per cent Roman Catholic? Do you know that in the Congressional library 63 per cent of the employees are Roman Catholic? Do you know these things? If you do not it is time you awake from your Rip Van Winkle sleep, shake off the spell of indifference that binds you and get on the firing line to help the few patriotic publishers who are left reach and arouse the masses. Your apathy and your indifference will soon wreck America. The days, weeks and months are slipping fast. Rome is building her political fences. The brazen face of a papal dupe is turned toward the White House. His forces are daily growing stronger. Ours are growing weaker. This condition must be changed. Will you help change it?

1,720,504 LITTLE ROMAN CATHOLICS BOY-COTT AMERICAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Reversing the Order of the Rock Pile They Are Making Big Catholics Out of Little Ones in Five Thousand Parochial Rivals of Public Schools.

There are 5,156 Roman Catholic parochial schools in the United States, erected by the Roman Catholic priesthood and laity as a testimony of how far Rome will drive her people to hold their children slaves when

she is not in full control of the public school system.

Into this more than 5,000 rivals of our great free schools, the Roman priesthood has driven 1,720,504 little Catholics, just as it did Al Smith and all his children.

These figures recently released by the census bureau, show the widespread opposition and protest against the American public schools which the priesthood of Rome has so silently but effectively put over in America. There can be no doubt of Rome's determination not to let its children be Americanized when you look at those figures. It is a law of Rome that it must control the schools or boycott them. Section 1374 of the Canon Law says:

Parents and guardians are forbidden to send their children to non-Catholic or mixed schools.

It is for the bishop of the diocese alone to decide, under what conditions and with what safeguards attendance at mixed schools may be tolerated.

Knowing that the Canon Law of the Roman Catholic church is the supreme law which all Roman Catholics must implicitly obey, or be damned for eternity, you can understand the significance of that ruling not only, but know why it is that thousands of Roman Catholic parochial schools have risen throughout the nation, raising aloft the Latin Cross instead of the Stars and Stripes.

Investigation will prove to you that the conditions under which a bishop will approve the sending of Roman Catholic children to public schools are very few.

The Roman Catholic Official Directory for the last ten annual editions contains a footnote at the end of the statistics on the diocese of Fargo, North Dakota, which boasts that: Many of the teachers in the public schools being Catholic the religious education of youth is provided for and where such is not the case suitable provisions have otherwise been made.

Under such conditions it is clear that the bishop of the Diocese of Fargo need have no compunction about sending Roman Catholic children to public schools.

This school question is the most important thing in American life today. Nothing should supercede the welfare of young America.

We have come to that place in this country where facts must be recognized. If the papal system is the right system of government for these United States let those who so believe line up with Romanism and Al Smith. If American principles and precepts are right then we will have to deal with this school question and the presidency on the broad principle of the common good, national welfare and perpetuity, or whatever other name you wish to apply.

When his parochial school products assembled for the graduation address of the Roman Catholic bishop in Portland, Oregon (June, 1922), he boldly declared the Catholic school is no place for worship of the flag, nor to substitute Americanization work.

The bishop was aroused because half as many citizens as voted in the previous Oregon election had signed a petition on June 15th demanding that the proposal to require ALL children to attend the public school during the school term be placed on the ballot to be voted on by the whole people.

Rome is getting so wrought up over the words AMERICANIZATION AND AMERICANISM that to mention it is almost like waving a red flag in front of a bull. But we are facing a determination of the question of whether or not we will Americanize Romanism or allow them to Romanize America.

Rome's determination not to be Americanized is attested in nothing more clearly than the five thousand schools that voice her hatred of our public schools.

It is a sort of proof which no printed words or vehement denials can erase. The buildings are of brick and stone. They can be seen, and census reports for 1926 on file in the Library of Congress record their number. To finish the job of making America Catholic it would be easier to Romanize our schools already built than for Rome to go on building. Don't take a chance on Al.

—The Menace.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 8, 1928.

The New Menace Aurora, Mo. Gentlemen:

In reply to the form letter which you so kindly sent me I have this day written Mayor William Hale Thompson the following:

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN CONTROL OF CHICAGO'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS Hon. William Hale Thompson Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The DIVINE LIFE Magazine which champions AMERICA FIRST, and which is not the least hypocritical about it, demands that you as Protestant Mayor of our great city, remove at once one William J. Bogan, a Roman Catholic, as Superintendent of our Public Schools.

We further demand that you also remove one Mr. Carl B. Roder, also a pro-Roman Catholic, as Public

Librarian, and one Mr. Fred K. Siedenburg (a Jesuit of Loyola University), who functions as Roman Catholic adviser and member of the Chicago Library Board.

We further demand that Religious periodicals be reinstated on the Chicago Public Library Reading tables, and not be relegated to the dark closets, pigeonholed and kept back under cover where the Public are kept in ignorance of the Roman Catholic invasion of their Republic. All Religious publications (particularly DIVINE LIFE) having been recently removed by these two eminent Catholics who fear anything that might be said against Al Smith, and who propose to strangle freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

Furthermore, we, the People of Chicago, demand that the said William J. Bogan be immediately removed as head of our Public Schools, or we, the Protestants of this great city shall withhold our children from the Public Schools until we are permitted to name a Superintendent who will not rape the minds of our little ones with un-American text books and Catholic mythology.

Remember, Mayor Thompson, the writer, like thousands of others, voted for you when you promised us, in your campaign speeches against your opponent, the Roman Catholic William Dever, that you would "keep the Rosary out of the City Hall." Does this latest move of yours in appointing a Roman Catholic to manage our Public Schools and our Chicago Public Library mean that you are keeping your promises to the people?

I mean that William Hale Thompson has proven himself a traitor to the American people and the American Flag, and as such should be impeached from Public Office by the People as a man who has betrayed them as ever Judas betrayed his Lord and Master.

Will you continue to degrade the name of America, which you have pledged yourself to "Make First," and not last? Will you continue your onslaught upon the People and help the Pope and his emissaries to complete their program of "Making America Catholic?" Will you lay down like a craven coward and sacrifice your own Country for the few political advantages which might accrue to you through your vote-getting Catholic henchmen?

William Hale Thompson, Beware, lest you fill the breach you are digging for others.

An "American First" Editor.

30 REASONS

WHY PROTESTANTS SHOULD BE SURE TO VOTE FOR ALCOHOL SMITH

If You Want-

To contribute a boy to fill a drunkard's grave;
To furnish a daughter to add to the Red Light Dis-

trict by the gin-fizz route;

To have your wife and daughter when they join the President's Church for social prestige, to be asked questions in the confessional by a bachelor priest that you would not dare ask them yourself;

To have yourself and children get their orders and their pay envelopes from Roman Catholic officials and bosses who have hogged most of the political offices are now systematically taking over the best positions in all lines of trade, commerce and industry through their close organization and combined political pull so that only the inferior jobs will be left for non-Catholics like you and yours;

To have a begging alien nun meet you every pay day and report if you don't dig up the cash for her;

To have Protestant orphan girls, your own child possibly, railroaded into a House of the Good Shepherd by a Roman Catholic judge or a "dupe" non-Catholic court official to slave at a laundry tub without wage, education or sanitary surroundings, a lifelong, living death in an institution where public wards are incarcerated but without possible public inspection always in direct competition with American working women.

VOTE FOR AL SMITH.

If You Want-

To duplicate here conditions existing in Mexico before born and bred Roman Catholics threw off the intolerable yoke of political Romanism or if you want your sons to die in a war to reinstate the Roman gang in Mexico;

To be boycotted in business, slugged if you vote an audible protest and even jailed on suspicion while Roman Catholic criminals go scot-free; with the government, society and every community filled with Jesuit spies and snooping tale bearers running to their nearest priest begetting boycotts, proscription, bombing and even murder if your acts or principles are antagonistic to the Roman Catholic program;

To have a president who believes his constituents are unmarried and their children bastards unless wed by a Roman Catholic priest having had his own son so remarried, and who will kiss the hand of any and every Roman Catholic Cardinal, with a red hat, that comes along;

To have a president who as a loyal Knight of Columbus has sworn a most solemn oath based on his

hope of heaven that he will strive to MAKE AMERICA CATHOLIC but who takes an oath to support the constitution of the United States with a mental reservation; knowing as you must that any administration by the use of patronage can dictate its succession in office, thus MAKING AMERICA CATHOLIC for all time to come;

To have a priest in the White House to confess the president and issue his orders governing their family relations, and incidentally the president's public acts and policies and like Priest Duffy write his state papers

VOTE FOR AL SMITH.

If You Want-

To have the Tammany Tiger and his bodyguard of ex-bartenders, white slavers, grafters and booze fighters welcomed in the White House as honored guests by their own pal and "sachem";

To see your school taxes raised enough to take care of both the public and the parochial schools;

To see the present "lickspittle" news agencies to be further controlled by Political Romanism that only news censored by a Roman Catholic priest will be permitted in the daily press;

To see Free Speech a withered dream, Freedom of the Press a ghastly memory and Peaceful Assembly permitted to Roman Catholics only under pain of boycott, bomb and bludgeon, a condition already existing in Roman Catholic controlled communities here in the United States;

To see our diplomatic corps turned over to the Jesuits and their "lick-spittle" tools so that they and their Black Pope can dominate our foreign policies as they do in European countries where not banished for

the public good.

To see the yellow flag of the pope float over "Old Glory" on public buildings, forts and battleships and the officers in our armies and navies and Chief of Staff base their preferment and promotion on their known loyalty to the Roman Catholic Hierarchy;

VOTE FOR AL SMITH.

If You Want—

The Federal Bench and the Supreme Court of the United States debauched and stuffed with wet Roman Catholic judges as has already been done by Al Smith in New York with twenty-one straight appointments of Roman Catholic judges.

Alien criminals sentenced to deportation for any crimes up to treason to be pardoned so that the order of deportation is nullified as Smith, our greatest "Nullifier of the Constitution," is regularly doing now;

To see an accredited ambassador of the United States sent to the pope and his political Secretary of State to fall in line and kiss the pope's toe and to see the Constitution of the United States made the football of a Tammany political gang standing boldly out for RUM, ROMANISM AND REPUDIATION;

History rewritten so that it will consist alone of adulation of Roman Catholicism and its priests and prelates:

To see the Protestant clergy still more ruthlessly degraded and made sport of in the movies;

To see the gates lifted and hordes of Roman Catholic aliens allowed to surge in to take the bread out of the mouths of American workingmen;

Never to see a Secretary of Education in the President's Cabinet to protect and foster our public school system as annually recommended by the National

Teachers' Association and annually stifled in committee by Roman Catholic political pull;

VOTE FOR AL SMITH.

If You Want-

To see the remaining scant one-fourth of Protestant public school teachers in the ten largest cities in the United States fired to make way for a unanimous Roman Catholic teaching force, drawing the pay but fully agreeing and assenting to the priestly dictum that the schools they teach are "Godless and sink-holes of iniquity";

To see the Bible, your mother loved, now already driven by Roman Catholics from the public schools, spit upon and burned as in Roman Catholic Brazil, but not noted by our loud-mouthed Irish-American apostles of TOLERANCE;

To insure that true democracy shall perish in the United States and despotic Roman Catholic dictators rule as in those banner Roman Catholic countries Italy, with Mason-murdering Mussolini; Spain with De Rivera where to read the Bible is to insure a jail sentence, and Poland where Pilsudski rules a country whose original constitution provided that none but Roman Catholics could hold official position;

To see as President of these United States the product and the idol of "The sidewalks of New York," that tax-ridden city, SEVENTY-SIX PER CENT ALIEN AND UN-AMERICAN, the only section of the Empire State that Smith has ever carried and adopt his Tammany code of morals and political ethics, double-crossers and traitors to every National Democratic presidential candidate elected since the civil war of 1861;

To see the persistent Roman Catholic proselyting of

the negro population of the United States carried out to its full fruition with the inevitable result that they will be welded into a Jesuitaically controlled political power whose votes will not only be cast but counted, backed and protected by the "Militia of the pope," Al Smith's Knights of Columbus or if need be by the bomb, the bludgeon and the machine gun of some other branch of the oath bound Roman Catholic Klan. If negro domination is wanted under Roman Catholic direction guaranteed to be the real thing;

To see the pope, rapidly being discredited throughout Europe, move his political household to American shores and occupy the heavy stone fortresses Roman Catholicism has built commanding the heights of Washington, D. C., the better to direct his campaign to rule the world until Jesus Christ comes again to liberate His people;

IF YOU WANT to barter your Protestant birthright for a mess of political pottage and preferment by an unholy alliance with those who would destroy the Constitution, the schools, the church, the homes of freeborn Americans, freedom of speech and press and all the blood-bought heritage handed down by your American forefathers, to get your share of the spoils while swelling the retinue of an Italian pope, May the God of your fathers have pity on your poor recanting Protestant soul, and in mercy mete out to you your just deserts here and hereafter, while you

VOTE FOR AL SMITH.

-Lance.

Send for our new pamphlet "British Herbert Hoover, the Empire Builder, or, Catholic Al. Smith, the Pope's Pet. Which Shall It Be?" 15c per copy—10 copies \$1.00.

"THE WORLD TEACHER"

OUR THEOSOPHIC JESUS CHRIST

E FFORTS are now being launched on all sides, particularly from members of the Order of the Star in the East, Mrs. Marie Hotchner, Mr. Warrington, Vice-President Jinarajadasa and P. Pavri, author of this work, "The World Teacher," from which I am about to quote to elevate Krishnamurti to the status of Jesus Christ.

Listen to a few remarks from this new work of Mr. Pavri's wherein he tries to make it appear that Krishnamurti has the same mission to perform and message to deliver to the People as had the ancient speaker of Palestine of old, and that in form and in word they are almost identical.

Question—Can you say something of Krishnaji the Man, of his life and personality, from an everyday, human point of view?"

Answer—Krishnaji and his younger brother, J. Nityananda, were living with their father at Adyar, Madras, when they were small boys. In 1909 Dr. Besant when on her spiritual journey—in her higher bodies to the home of the World-Teacher in the fastnesses of the Himalayan Mountains, was told by the World-Teacher Himself that should Krishnamurti grow to manhood honest, virtuous and worthwhile, he would be His vehicle, i.e., through him would be delivered messages of cheer to an overburdened world. And because of that message, Dr. Besant went to the boys' father, a widower and a Government pensioner, and promised to be responsible for their education provided she was given entire control over them. The father who, during her absence before that time from India, had placed the two boys in the care of her colleague, Mr. (now Bishop) C. W. Leadbeater for education, gladly welcomed her offer and gave over the two boys to her care as her wards. That was in 1909 when Krishnamurti was about thirteen years old. From that year until 1925, Dr. Besant remained the guardian of the boys, although they were, of course, legally free on their coming of age.

Krishnaii received his higher teaching while his body was asleep in Advar, the Headquarters of the Theosophical Society. He was taken each night in his astral body when he fell asleep—by Mr. Leadbeater to his Master's Ashrama (dwelling) in Tibet, and there received in very simple language, being but a child in body though old in soul, his teaching as a disciple. The Master devoted perhaps fifteen minutes each night to talking to him, but at the end of each talk He always gathered up the main points of what He had said in a single sentence, a few sentences perhaps, and made it into a little easy summary which was repeated to the boy, so that he learned it by heart. Each morning he would himself, unassisted, write down what he had been told during the night, in a school exercise-book, mostly in pencil, sometimes with a pen, and sometimes on scraps of paper. He would write slowly and with considerable difficulty what he brought through, for he then wrote English with difficulty, having little command of it at the time." (What better evidence would we require of a hypnotized subject.—Editor's comment.) "These notes, these sentences—the epitome of the Master's teaching—were later on all gathered together, arranged and typed by Mr. Leadbeater at Adyar at Krishnaji's request from Benares, and taken to the Master—the Master of them both-to make sure than there was no mistake in

taking down from memory the Master's words. After alteration of a few words and addition of some sentences by the Master those notes were then taken by Him and Mr. Leadbeater to the Lord Maitreya Himself, who read them over and approved of them. It was He, the World Teacher Himself, who said: "You should make a nice little book of this to introduce Alcyone (Krishnamurti) to the world." (Then the book was not written for the Truth contained in it alone, but to introduce Alcyone to the World.-Editor's comments.) So those teachings were then published in a little book entitled At the Feet of the Master, which has since been translated into twenty-seven languages and of which there have been over forty editions. In the United States alone many editions have been printed, the one last year-A. D. 1926running into a million copies. That book, so easy to grasp well and so valuable in that it bears the special imprimatur of the World Teacher Himself, and shows to a certain extent what His teaching is likely to be now that He has already come, was written by Krishnaji at the age of twelve, the age at which Jesus of Nazareth was found by his mother disputing with the learned doctors in the temple." (We have shown in past editions of Divine Life that Krishnamurti didn't even write the book "At the Feet of the Master." neither was it the composition of Leadbeater or the World Teacher, but was faked and vamped from the "Book of the Golden Precepts," a Buddhistic treatise from which Madame Blavatsky stole her Voice of the Silence and also attributed it as being given her by a Great Master of Wisdom. So stealing and plagarizing is nothing new with would-be Theosophists, in order to bolster the false belief in Madame Blavatsky's

Masters.)

". . . Twenty-five centuries ago, as Krishna in India, Lord Maitreva was remarkable for extreme beauty, attractiveness and joyousness; in His visit to Palestine two thousand years ago—if the portrait said to be genuine is accurate—the face was one of great delicacy and beauty. The face of the body He has chosen for His use now again, is, as generally observed, remarkable for its beauty, that of the pure Brahmana type of India, with millennia of culture and learning behind it, the most wonderful physical heredity to be now found on earth.

". . . Krishnamurti's coming in America in 1926 had been heralded far and wide. A sophisticated. materialistic world waited expectantly, thinking to see a mystic in colorful robes, displaying magic. They saw, instead, a well-groomed, nice-looking dark-complexioned man of thirty. He was unassuming and quiet and spoke to them in simple language without affection. Those seeking glamour turned away in disappointment. Those who remembered that the Great Teacher Himself was modest and quiet, listened and received his message.

Says THE WORLD HERALD, Omaha:

"From what little we have read of him, our young Hindu visitor is putting the force of his vivid personality behind much that is vital of Christian truth, universal truth, doing it at once simply and picturesquely, invoking the power of the parable even as did Jesus in a way to reach the minds and the hearts of his hearers.

"Here is a young man come to tell us that the destiny of man is not bound up in big buildings and machinery, in radio and jazz and feasting and dancing, and that neither is his happiness to be found therein. He reminds us that the life of the spirit is greater than than of the body, and that it is immortal. He would have us build for ourselves characters deserving of a happy immortality by doing good, by being kind, unselfish, tolerant, merciful, by leading clean and simple lives, by loving God and Truth and our fellow-men. That is only what Jesus taught before him. There is no less need, because of that, for its teaching today, and here in America. And whether the truth come from alien lips or those purely American, it is none less true, none the less helpful."

"The one thing upon which he insists over and over again, is that all members of the Star should realize that, as servants of the Master, they must become the spiritual aristocracy of the world. They are kings and priests with God and must be worthy of that high calling: and that is the reason why he insists so often upon perfection in every detail of their daily life. Sometimes one wonders why it is that he speaks so often of the necessity of being nicely and well dressed. People are inclined to think that he lays too much stress upon that point, which is only of the outer man: but it is because he wishes all to realize that everything in their lives is consecrated to the Master, and that therefore they must be as beautifully equipped in every detail, even in their outer dress, as they are striving to be spiritually equipped.

"His method is direct; he must do away with all that is useless. There are some who think that his criticisms are rather hard; but that is because he sees what all men might be, and he is impatient because they have not yet learned to realize their own possibilities, and he is longing to bring them all nearer the Masters. (???) And therefore sometimes he is impatient because they are so slow to change themselves into that image which he sees they could become.

"Dr. Besant at the Ommen Star Congress, in August, 1925, spoke of a scene in the life of Krishnaji when he was very young. He was seen by her surrounded by many mighty figures; one the Savior of the World, seated in the midst of a circle of Great Ones: over His Head blazed out the great Star of the King; and a mighty shadowy figure was seen above and behind the Hierophant, the figure of the Lord Gautama Buddha Himself. And as Krishnaji stood there, he looked so slight, so young, so beautiful, as he took the great vows which may not be broken, as he started on the difficult path that he was to tread. And because he was too young to be sent out again in the outer world to face his difficult life all alone and looked almost as a child in that august assembly, the question was asked by the Hierophant: 'Are there any Brothers living in the outer world who will take charge of this young Disciple, guard him and guide his feet?' Two, who loved him intensely and when he loved no less profoundly—Dr. Besant and Bishop Leadbeater-stood forth and said: 'We will.' Then the Hierophant bade Dr. Besant guard him and defend him with her power, and Bishop Leadbeater to guide him with his wisdom. And through years since, then, that exquisite task, gladly accepted but difficult to execute, was followed and, in spite of the effort to tear the lad away from them through the High Court of Madras, as stated before, was finally triumphantly fulfilled. ("People who read the proceedings of the High Court of Madras, published by the Divine Life Press back in 1913, under the title of "In the Court of

the District Judge of Chingleput," know all about the judgment of Justice Bakewell who denounced Leadbeater as no fit person to associate with the two Brothers Krishnamurti and Nityandi, as his immoral practices of teaching self-masturbation to young men made him a dangerous companion for young Krishnamurti. The testimony of one Lakshman of having seen young Krishnamurti and Leadbeater in a room alone and naked was enough to awaken the Judge to the nefarious practices of Leadbeater who was now considered an old offender, but Mrs. Besant's gold and British influence, prevailed and she is now about to reap what she has sown.

And here we have it all in a nut shell. "Then the Hierophant bade Dr. Besant guard him and defend him with her power," (of deception) "and Bishop Leadbeater to guide him with his wisdom" (of misrepresentation).

For Annie Besant's personality and popularity as an Irish Catholic fore-flusher and public spouter together with Charles Leadbeater's power of hypnotism and glamour with which he subdued young Krishnamurti and placed in his mouth the sayings of Lord Buddha, makes it appear that a Great Master inspired young Krishnamurti (Alcyone) whereas, everything published in "At the Feet of the Master" was vamped from the Buddhistic "Book of the Golden Precepts," which work Theosophists from Madame Blavatsky down have copied and stolen and attributed these sayings and writings to the Great Masters of the Theosophical Society in order to give the World the impression that there are Great Masters of Wisdom behind them.

But if only Mrs. Annie Besant and Mr. Charles Leadbeater would TELL THE TRUTH and act the part, they would not need Masters to guide them, no not even little Krishnamurti, for the Voice of their own souls would tell them that they have both been living a lie, have lied to the Whole World as Heads of a Society whose motto over their Lodge rooms admonishes all who enter "THERE IS NO RELIGION HIGHER THAN TRUTH."

FLATTERING IS BUT INSINCERITY

Krishnamurti at the Ojai Star Camp, Ojai, California ISTEN to these ardent flatterers who fill the pages of the August, 1928, issue of "The Star," the official organ of the Order of the Star of the East. Krishnamurti is the very life of some, the light of others, yea, a very God sent down to Earth to help and uplift the downtrodden masses. Might he not have remained in India and cleaned his own door-step before proceeding to America to enlighten the ignorant and uncouth whom he regards needing enlightment even more than his very own.

"Krishnamurti and the Star Camp," an article in the August, 1928, issue of "The Star," by Alexander Irvine on page 26 tells us: "The soul of the camp was Krishnaji. He was the center around which everybody and everything revolved. The music, the plays, the food, the fellowship were all good, very good, but we were not there because of these things. We had traveled long distances through barren moors and arid deserts of theological and philosophical speculation. We were weary and tired of following trails and that led nowhere. I had traveled a long distance, served many churches, sampled many creeds, and worshiped at many shrines. When I came to Ojai a few weeks ago and met Krishnamurti I was quite convinced that

he was the Messenger of the Age. Before I had spent five minutes in his company, Emerson's famous aphorism came to me: 'What you are speaks so loudly, I cannot hear what you say.' 'Here was a personality humanly divine and divinely human. In conversation his face glows with divine light. His words are soft and musical but they are winged.'

"The nightly Camp-Fire talks were emotional, mystical, and weird. A huge wood-pile stood ready for the torch. The crowd sat around it. There was silence, then music. Then Krishnaji took a blazing fagot and set the pile ablaze. As the flames leaped higher and higher, he stood near by, clad in native Hindu costume and chanted in his native language, a Vedic hymn.

"He warned us the first night, that this must not be considered ritual. He told a funny story to enforce his warning. To me, the name attached to the performance was of no importance. It evoked in all of us deep feelings of awe, reverence, and devotion. In the morning we looked at him and listened to his message. At the Camp-Fire we were led to look into our own souls.

"Some Impressions of the Ojai Camp," by Parthe. "Yes, I have received impression but I do not feel much like talking about them." Then she added: "Before the Camp I had no definite views as to Krishnaji, but now I know he is the Teacher."

"That, I believe, expressed the essence of what the Camp has meant, not to one person alone, but to practically all who attended—'I know now he is the Teacher.'

"Nearly one thousand people have returned to their homes and 'know now he is the Teacher.' Could the success of the Camp have been greater?"

And "From the Center of Life," by Herbert Radcliffe, on page 31: "Someone asked that direct question. It seemed almost impertinently personal, and the people felt shocked; all the more eagerly they listened as Krishnaji read it over aloud: 'We have been told that the Lord Maitreya is using your body; are you speaking as the Lord Maitreya or as Krishnamurti?'

"His reply was quiet, but it was penetrating: 'You have been told. Who told you? An authority. I say to you do not believe any authority, do not obey any authority, do not be a slave to any authority. It does not matter who the authority is, even if it be I. For if you obey anything except your own individual nature you are only building further barriers to your own understanding of life. You have been told I am the Lord Maitreya, but who do you say I am? That is the important thing for you. You ask whether I am the Lord Maitreva, or the Buddha, or Shri Krishna. I am all these and more, for I am life itself." (You will notice the question was apparently asked by one of his own followers in order to evoke the answer which would compare with the answer of the Master Jesus. 'And who do men say that I am, but who do ye say that I am."

And now listen to the gushing flatterer, Mrs. Marie Hotchner, the Queen of Occultists and Fairy chasers: "But what Krishnaji said was only a fraction of the spiritual afflatus of the man. His words, even though they were the very essence of Truth, seemed but the echoes of great cosmic verities that came thundering through unfathomable distances of world-spaces. The very air was made vibrant with the power and kinship of the life in all things; the sky, the stars, the

mountains, the valley, the trees, the flowers—all were made vocal in the love, compassion, and the wisdom that flowed from him into minds, startled, bewildered, yet reaching out to him, yearning to understand the Truth.

"As Krishnaji said good-bye to them on the last evening at the Camp-Fire, they clasped to their souls these vital, life-elements, touched the hem of His garments through feelings of love and gratitude, and silently slipped away—down the gentle slopes of the hill, through the sweet-smelling valley, on beyond the sheltering mountains, away to their near and far-distant homes."

And listen to Lars Erickson, a Swede no doubt who doesn't know fish from fowl: "In the valley of Ojai, men and women from many lands gathered to see and hear Krishnaji. Many of them have worked and saved for months in order to pay the necessary expense of this unique pilgrimage.

"In the search for happiness, in the confusion of thoughts, we see how humanity struggles; how pain and sorrow, joy and pleasure forever keep the desire for permanent happiness alive, driving us to activities in many lines, ever trying to find the way to the goal. In the darkness of ignorance we seek economical and spiritual salvation. Experiences of many kinds lead us from one experiment to another to find sooner or later, that our ways did not satisfy.

"Is there any wonder then, that those who have struggled the longest and hardest should come to this beautiful, secluded valley to see and hear the World-Teacher, the One who has gone all the way, and who has found that for which all mankind is seeking; any wonder that these should overcome every obstacle to see and hear the one who is able by his own experience, to help, to teach, and point out the way by which he himself reached the goal.

"We came, we beheld and heard. The light and love burning within him did not disappoint. Never can we forget the visions; never forget the glory thereof. What we have seen and felt will inspire us for greater effort to qualify as helpers in his mission. And so the World-Teacher is again fulfilling his mission in the body of flesh. Again he has come that we might have life, and that we might have it more abundantly."

Every one, you will note, must say something about Krishnamurti that will in some manner parallel with the life and sayings of Jesus of Nazareth. This simple minded boy coming from a country that is overridden with the authority of Kings, Princes, Potentates, and Maharajaras, ought to be the last man in the world to come to the Free Governing United States of America and give us advice on how to dodge authority. It's as much of a joke as the rat in his hole telling us how to evolve into a Man. This Hindu youngster who has been under the iron bound authority of Mrs. Besant and his nocturnal chum Leadbeater and who today is so hypnotized and glamored that he thinks he is happy in his little golden cage which will disappear after Mrs. Besant passes off the scene, and he is made to earn his own living in the world. But you say the returns from the little book, "At the Feet of the Master," will more than keep him in his old age. Perhaps so and perhaps not, as money filched from the general public backed by a lie will disappear as rapidly as it was showered upon the recipient, for the book is not Krishnaji's at all, not Leadbeater's or Mrs. Besant's, but was the forethought of Lord Buddha, and if Buddha can be reached he will certainly lay claim to the proceeds of the little book "At the Feet of the Master." In an early issue of Divine Life we compared paragraph for paragraph of Buddha's Dharma, with the work of "At the Feet of the Master," and showed the general public where Leadbeater got his Wisdom.

The status of the intellect of most of these members of the Order of the Star accounts for the emotional flattery and gushing response, and many who today are considered as bright and educated with a college degree haven't a grain of common horse sense when it comes to the discernment of truth and reality, for it is no proof of a man's intelligence to be able to affirm whatever pleases him, but to be able to discern what is true is true and what is false is false, this is the mark and character of intelligence.

Krishnaji might succeed as the vehicle of a beauty parlor specialist or material for a cigar-store Indian, but as the Vehicle of the Great World Teacher—never.

—HARRY R. LANG.

LINCOLN'S PROBLEM

In a recent address at the Community Church of New York, on the ten greatest Americans since the middle of the last century, John Haynes Holmes selected Abraham Lincoln as pre-eminently the first in his list of ten. In fact, in his glowing tribute to this great American he placed Lincoln first as the greatest of all Americans. Perhaps this opinion is justified. Certainly Lincoln ranks among the very foremost of great Americans—and yet Lincoln was an Infidel. Not only that, but he was essentially a non-Christian in both thought and action. His

greatness was built upon straight non-Christian principles. And it was because of such principles that his name and work live today in all their greatness. In saving "with charity for all and malice toward none," Lincoln indicated in these few simple non-Christian words, the rock on which he built his power and from which he directed his life work and public action. Any Christian may refute the statement that the guiding principle of Lincoln was non-Christian if he cares to, but in order to prove his contention, he would be compelled to ignore the entire history of 2,000 years of Christian bigotry, hatred, and warfare. Christian dogma and the desire and will to kill ones fellow man because of religious differences, could play no part in the life of any man of noble principles, and Lincoln is entitled to that distinction.

Again, a government "of the people, by the people, for the people," the fundamental principle of a free democracy, is also non-Christian and directly opposed to the teachings of holy writ. The Christian Christ, his followers and upholders throughout the centuries have represented autocracy from first to last, from pope to pope. Fortunately for the world the Christian idea of king and slave, a ruler by divine right with authority from a god to use his blood brother as he sees fit, is on its last legs. The belief entertained today by so-called Christians for the democratic form of government and of life, is directly contrary to the teachings of the Bible. No biblical reference need be given for this statement.

Still again the emancipation of the slave was involved in our civil war. This war was primarily a modern labor war fought on the one side by the em-

ployers of labor and on the other by the owners of it. The moral issue of slavery was inextricably bound up in this economic problem. Lincoln fought to right his unworkable economic situation and at the same time to set free the cause of it—the negro slave. Yet slavery is justified by the Bible. The entire book is founded on this principle, since that was the only governing form known and practiced when the Bible was written. Since then the Western World at least has advanced to the position of democracy, in its everlasting struggle for it. Yet the foremost argument in the south in its advocacy of slavery was the Christian Bible's sanction of it! Indeed, had the Bible not upheld slavery as righteous before all men and its God, the civil war might never have been fought. But the men of the south, as true Christians, were loyal to their cause. They stuck to the principles laid down in their holy book to the death, and they lost. True, in this frightful human slaughter—an utter impossibility had rationalistic instead of Christian, principles guided the nations-Christian fought Christian, but in name only. In reality the issue was between a Christian principle and a non-Christian one.

And Lincoln, swept into the maelstrom by a thirst for blood on both sides, fought the issue to its bitter and final end. Lincoln was elected to the Presidency despite powerful opposition from the Christian church. It knew that at heart the man was an Infidel; it knew that his intimate friends and lifelong companions were also. This was open knowledge. Indeed the public record and private papers of Lincoln show beyond a shadow of doubt that his consistent failure to obtain public office—

a series of failures probably unmatched by any prominent office-seeker in the history of the Republic—was due in large part to the opposition of an organized Christian church. Lincoln knew what he was. He also knew what he was doing. That's why he never joined a church and publicly stated that he could not find one that suited him. But how far greater a man Lincoln would have been had he adjusted the economic balance of the nations and freed the slave at the same time without war! Ah. yes indeed; but to expect this from practically a single handed Infidel, as against a burning issue in the hands of millions of Christians whose very heritage called for war, would have been to ask of him a miracle as great as any supposed to have been performed by the impossible Christian biblical hero himself. No, Lincoln was not leading a nation of Freethinkers. He was leading a nation of Christians, a nation slowly and surely but blindly endeavoring to pull itself out of the mire of its Christian traditions. And that blind advance is still in progress. Why, the very humanity of this cause spells in itself the absolute certainty of the downfall of the Christian church and what it boasts as its Christianity.

War is primarily a religious institution and method of procedure. No nation goes to war even in these days without calling upon its god for victory. Witness the *divine* spectacle of the Christian nations of the world as its nationals hacked each other to pieces in the recent upheaval, each nation, friend and foe alike, worshiping one and the same god, and each, alike praying to this monstrous notion and vicious principle to bring death to the

enemy, victory to our cause! It was with such minded people that Lincoln had to deal, and the price that he was forced to pay to humanity, was just one, as was the world war another, in the grand total thus far, because of man's profound blindness to truth, and his stupidity in believing and trusting in an organized religious system of thought founded on principles of savagery.

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